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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

RE: CC Docket No 99-333 In re Application of Sprint Corporation, Transferor, and MCI WorldCom, Inc. Transferee, for Consent to Transfer Control

Dear Ms. Salas:

On May 5, 2000, CWA mailed the enclosed report, MCI WorldCom's Sprint Toward Monopoly: An Analysis of the Proposed Telecommunications Merger, to Chairman William E. Kennard, Commissioners Susan Ness, Gloria Tristani, Michael Powell, and Harold Furchtgott-Roth, and to the attached list of FCC staff.

In the report, authors Stephen Pociask and Jack Rutner investigate all aspects of the proposed merger, specifically those that pose the most risk to consumers in the information transport sector. The report finds that the newly created company would greatly stunt competition and be detrimental to consumers.

The report discusses the effect the proposed merger would have on industry concentration and competition, the risks to consumers, the ability of market competition to mitigate those risks, and the use of other means to achieve the benefits of the merger.

Sincerely,

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